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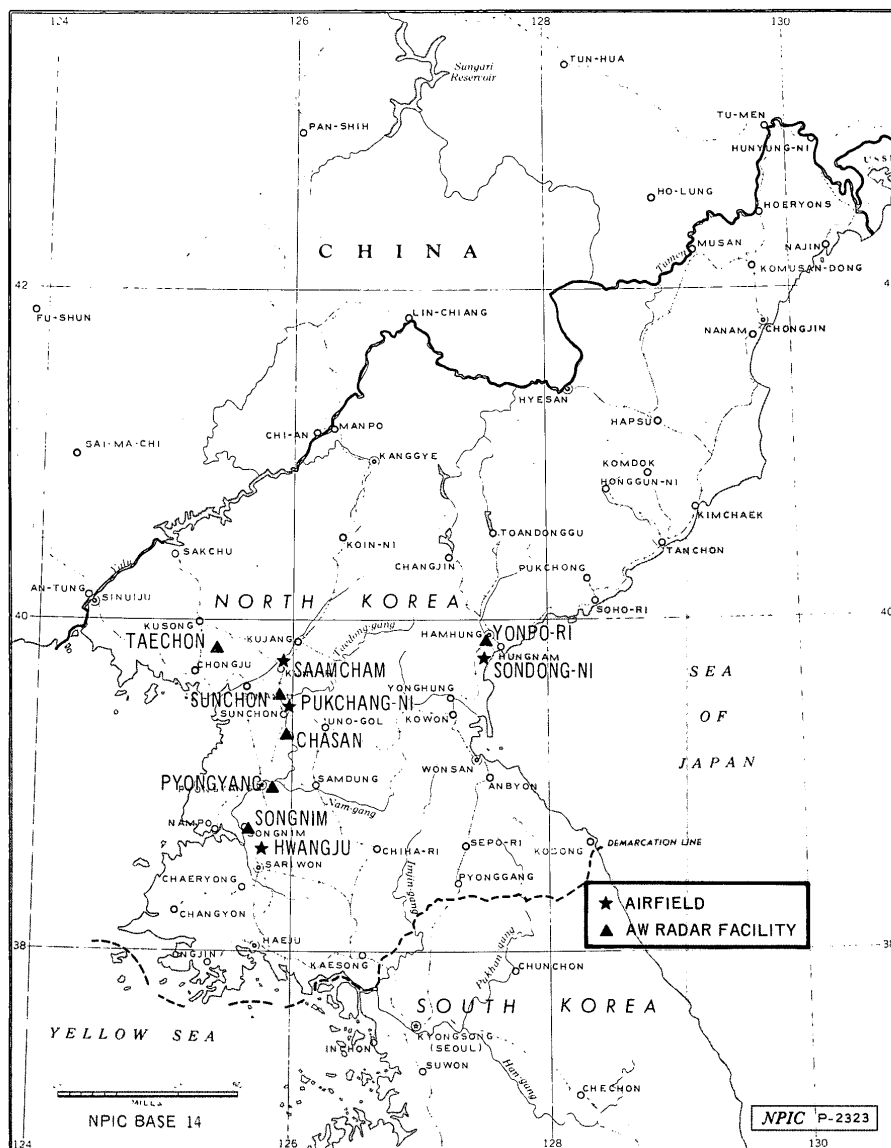


FIGURE 1. LOCATION MAP

Table 1. AW Radar Facilities in North Korea

Site Name	Location	Radars Observed	
Pyongyang AW Radar Fac	38-59-40N 125-49-52E	BAR LOCK FLAT FACE SQUAT EYE Poss KNIFE REST Poss HEIGHT FINDER	25X1
Yonpo-ri AW Radar Fac	39-48-18N 127-32-16E	BAR LOCK TOKEN-Type Prob KNIFE REST/ SPOON REST	25X1
Sunchon AW Radar Fac	39-28-35N 125-54-08E	BAR LOCK Poss SIDE NET	25X1
Chasan AW Radar Fac	39-17-57N 125-56-35E	BAR LOCK Poss SIDE NET	25X1
Songnim AW Radar Fac	38-45-05N 125-42-10E	BAR LOCK TOKEN-Type	25X1
Taecheon AW Radar Fac	39-49-10N 125-24-00E	BAR LOCK Prob HEIGHT FINDER	25X1

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AIR WARNING RADAR FACILITIES, NORTH KOREA

ABSTRACT

1. This report confirms the existence of six air warning (AW) radar sites which [redacted] 25X1
[redacted], constitute the North Korean Ground Control Intercept (GCI) 25X1 network. In addition, the unique site at the senior fighter control center near Chasan is described in detail. The report is based on both KEYHOLE (KH) and GIANT SCALE (GS) photography of North Korea and contains a location map, a table, a line drawing, and six photographs.

INTRODUCTION

2. Although NPIC had targeted five of the six AW radar sites, there was no indication that these sites constituted an AW network until receipt of the ELINT information. NSA has identified BAR LOCK and SIDE NET radars at each of the sites. Photography has confirmed BAR LOCKS at each of the sites, SIDE NETS at two of the sites, and unidentified height-finding radars at two other sites. A complete listing of the electronics order of battle observed at each site is contained in Table 1.

BASIC DESCRIPTION

3. Four of the AW radar sites, Sunchon, Yonpo-ri, Songnim, and Taechon (Figures 1 through 5), are in each of the North Korean Air Force (NKAF) fighter divisions. They are near the four North Korean airfields at which MIG-21 (FISHBED) aircraft are deployed. The fifth radar site (Figure 6) is at the NKAF command post at Pyongyang East (Mirim-ni) Airfield.

4. The senior fighter control center near Chasan is the location of the sixth radar site (Figures 7 and 8). This is a unique site in that each of the two positions consists of a radar on a circular elevator. Observation subsequent to construction revealed one of these platforms lowered into the silo. Probable semicircular concrete doors can apparently move on rails to cover the openings. A BAR LOCK radar and a possible SIDE NET radar occupy these positions. The silo diameters are [redacted] 25X1
[redacted] the length of the BAR LOCK reflectors 25X1 is approximately 10 meters (33 feet). According to an NPIC report², the reflectors of the BAR LOCK radar fold to a length small enough to allow the radar to be lowered into the silo. Two personnel entrances [redacted] 25X1
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²NPIC. [redacted], Photo Interpretation Memorandum, Hardening of Air Warning Radar Facilities in USSR, Romania, and Poland, Feb 70 (TOP SECRET RUFF)

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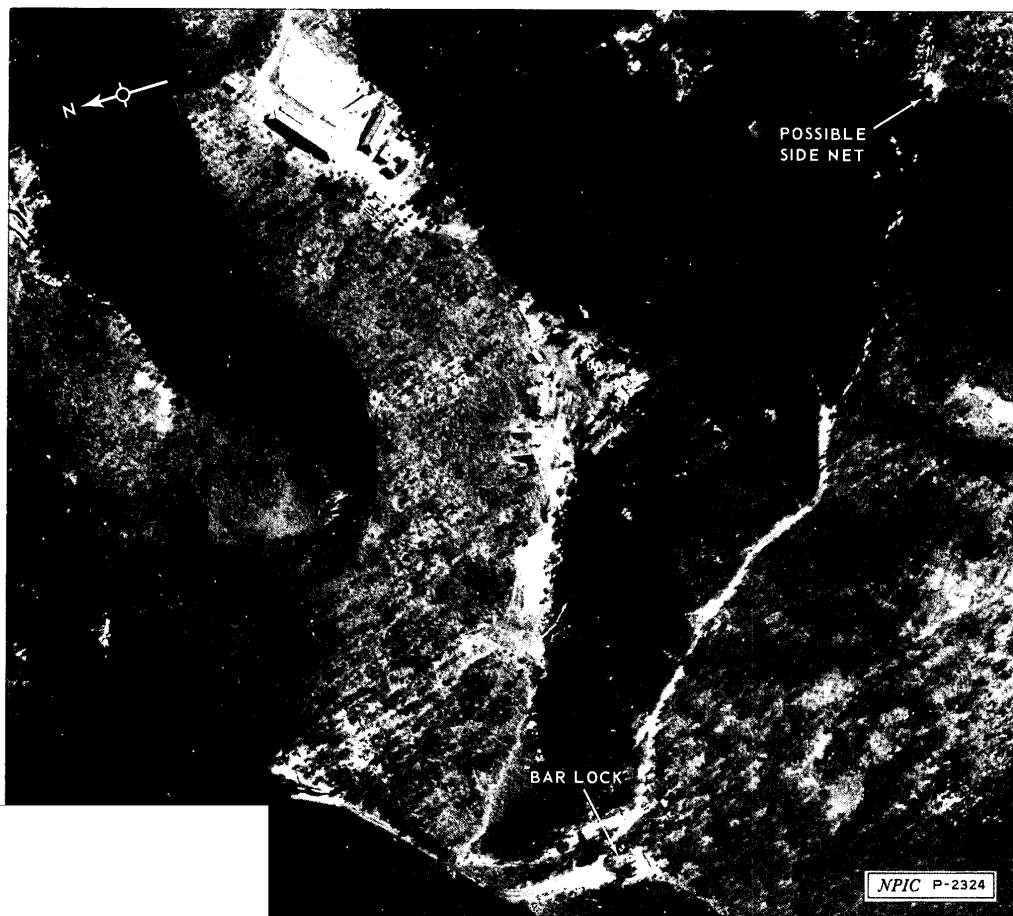
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FIGURE 2. SUNCHON AW RADAR FACILITY, NORTH KOREA



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FIGURE 3. YONPO-RI AW RADAR FACILITY, NORTH KOREA

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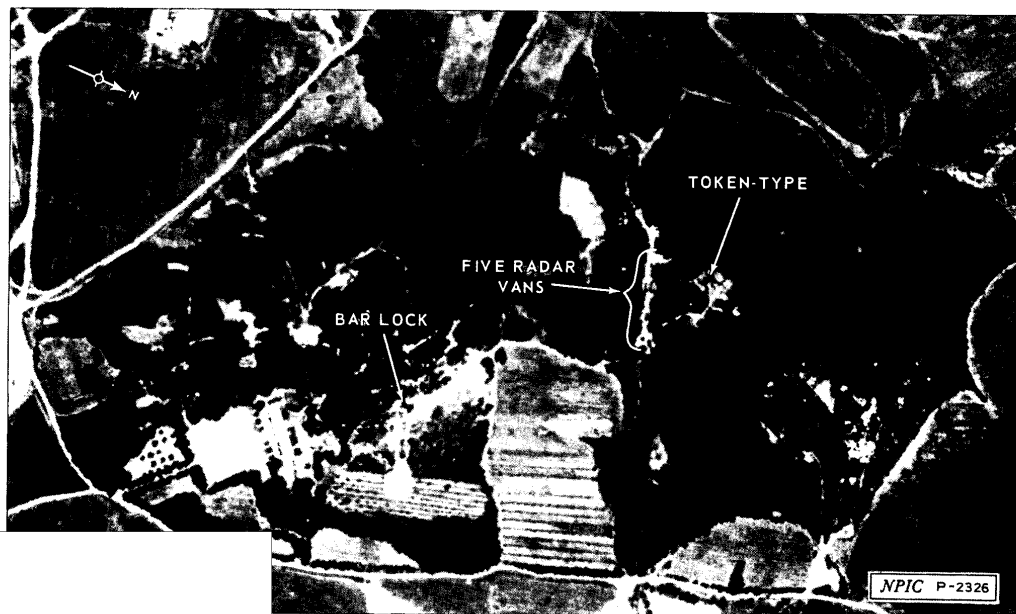
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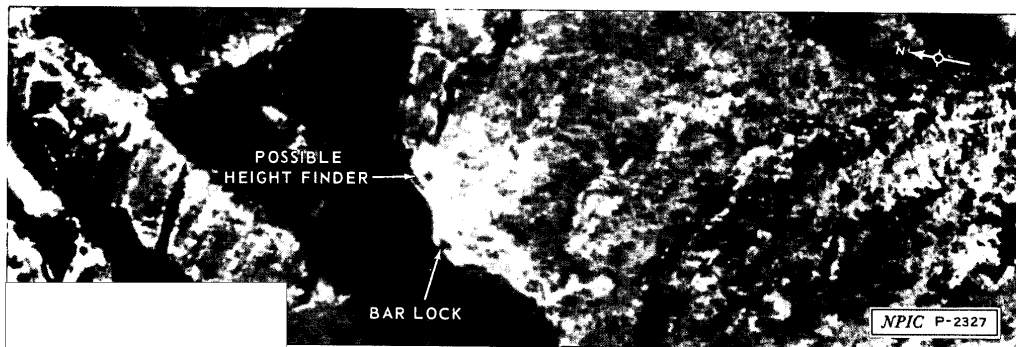
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FIGURE 4. SONGNIM AW RADAR FACILITY, NORTH KOREA



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FIGURE 5. TAECHON AW RADAR FACILITY, NORTH KOREA



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FIGURE 6. PYONGYANG AW RADAR FACILITY, NORTH KOREA

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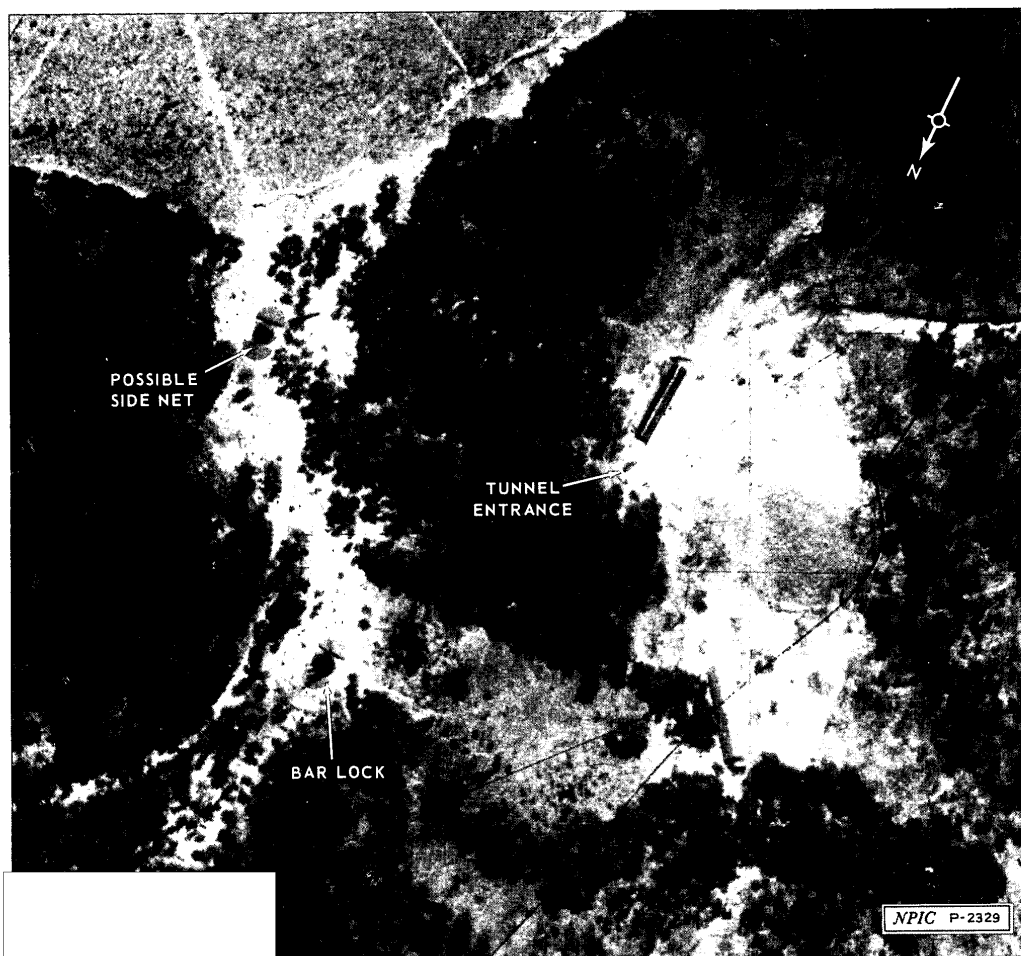
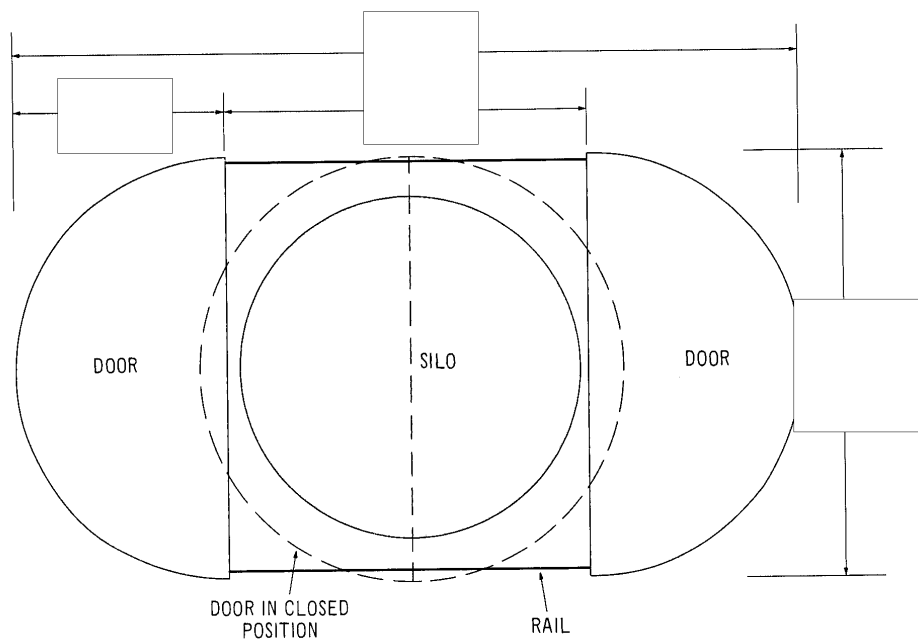


FIGURE 7. CHASAN AW RADAR FACILITY, NORTH KOREA



Measurements are accurate to within ± 1.5 meters (4.9 feet) and 2% with a 95% confidence level

FIGURE 8. LINE DRAWING OF RADAR POSITION, CHASAN AW RADAR FACILITY

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